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UNCLASSIFIED JBPO

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Area of Responsibility

- 25 countries
- 6.43 million miles^2 (16.13 million kilometers^2)
- Population: 522+ million
- Ethnic groups: 18
- Languages: 7 major, hundreds of dialects
- Per capita income: Range from $530 to $23,000

Geography

… More Than Just Desert

Forces of Influence

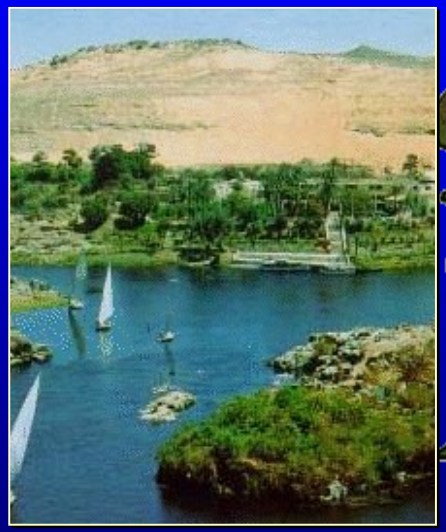
The Complex Character of the AOR (EVEN Before Operation ENDURING FREEDOM)

- Population Growth / Migration
- Ethnic Groupings / Interaction
- Religious Influences / Differences
- Energy Resources
- Colonial Legacy
- Historic Conflicts
- Middle East Peace Process
- Role Of Family / Tribe / Clan
- Hydro-Centric Empires
- Strategic Location / Lines of Communication

Vital U.S. Regional Interests

- **<u>Access to</u> and free flow of <u>energy</u> resources from the region**
- **<u>Security of American citizens</u> and property abroad**
- **<u>Security of friends and allies</u> and promotion of Middle East Peace Process**
- **Regional <u>stability</u> / required access**

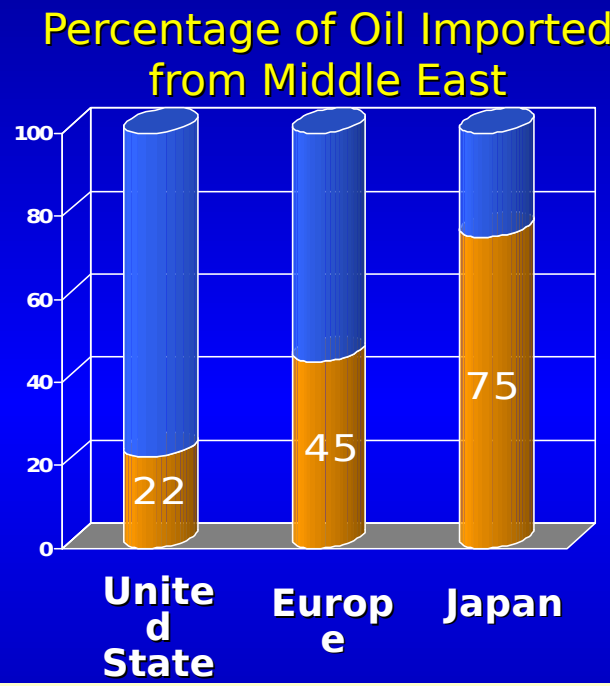
Water - A Vital Resource



Energy Resources
Fueling the World

Middle East	68%
North America	8%
South America	8%
Africa	6%
CIS	6%
Asia	4%
Europe	3%

- *Reflects proven reserves.*
- *Total reserves estimated at just under 1 trillion barrels.*



- Reliance on gulf oil to rise dramatically
  - Arabian Gulf countries produce 33% of world's oil
- Regional stability and access to oil essential to global economy

Instability and Conflict Throughout the AOR

Forces Affecting Regional Stability

- Repressive power brokers
- Country rivalries and disputed boundaries
- Ethnic and religious animosities
- Gross economic and social inequalities
- Competition for scarce resources amongst burgeoning populations

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Mission

- Promote regional stability
- Maintain access to regional resources and markets
- Support a lasting Middle East peace
- Counter weapons of mass destruction proliferation, terrorism, smuggling, crime and environmental damage & disease
- On order: respond with joint and combined forces to full

COMMAND SURGEON'S MISSION

- **Plan and coordinate military medical operations in USCENTCOM'S AOR**
- **Develop military health system policies and standards for USCENTCOM'S AOR to support contingency, mobilization and peacetime engagement missions with primary emphasis on:**
  - **Force Health Protection**
  - **Medical Forward Presence and Prepo. Equipment**
  - **Humanitarian Assistance Programs**
  - **Host Nation Medical Arrangements**
- **Manage Theater Joint Blood Program**
- **Coordinate Inter and Intra Theater Patient Evacuation**

11 September 2001

- 0845 Terrorists begin attack on U.S.
- 1100; 45 MDG MCC received call requesting Blood Officer at CENTCOM
  - Previous experience with Internal Look 00
  - Proximity
  - No MA attac

Operations in Afghanistan Mission Statement

Combined forces conduct operations in the Afghanistan Theater of Operations in order to destroy the Al Qaida organization, support setting the conditions to prevent the re-emergence of international terrorist organizations, and conduct Civil Military Operations. When directed, transition to Foreign Internal Defense and Security Assistance International organizations and the emerging government of Afghanistan.

OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM OVERVIEW

- Air campaign with unconventional operations
- Multi-service, multi-national integrated medical system
- Non-doctrinal use and integration of medical units and combatant platforms
- Dynamic battlespace / broad spectrum operations
- Multi-spectrum operation environment

Planning Environment

- Unlike most other CINCs, USCENTCOM Service Components only have permanent HQ staff
- Only forces assigned are in direct support of a specific mission

Organization

CENTCOM

- **ARCENT** (Army)
- **MARCENT** (Marines)
- **NAVCENT** (Navy)
- **CENTAF** (Air Force)
- **SOCCENT** (Special Operations)

Organization

NAVCENT
HEADQUARTERED IN ARABIAN GULF

Planning Environment

- **Every force requirement whether one person, one piece of equipment or an entire Division, USCENTCOM must formally request**
  - **Individual Augmentation: CENTCOM submits to Service Component, Component submits to Service & Service Sources**
  - **Request for Forces (RFF) : Component (CENTCOM) submits requirement, CENTCOM must approve; Joint Staff coordinates with Services, Sourcing Command and other CINC's, then submits to SECDEF for final approval**
  - **Once approved, Deployment Order issued; Time Phased Force Deployment Data Process used to move the forces.**

Blood Operations (Reasonable and Relevant)

- **Blood Transhipment Center identified on RFF #2 (Sep 01) (Tasked CENTAF)**
  - **Identified need early; took over 1-month to put in place using in-theater equipment**
    - **Initially supported 7 customers (i.e. MFST, FST, EMEDS, LHA, LHD, etc)**
- **Oct 01- Requested Individual Augmentation for JBPO Forward**
- **Oct 01 - Requested Blood Bank Platoon (-) to augment BTC & operate second BSU**

EUCOM = SUPPORTING CINC

- **All shipments come through EUCOM**
  - **Primary is Sigonella**
  - **Alternate is Ramstein**
- **Specifically asked to support Northern Operation Area (i.e. Northern Stans/Afghan)**
  - **Proximity of Incirlik as opposed to Bahrain**
  - **Provided initial support to MFST**
  - **Continued support to 86 CSH and BSU**

Goals

- Packed Red Cells at all Level II facilities (afloat, throughout the “Stans” and Arabian Penisula)
- Fresh Frozen Plasma at all Level II+ to III facilities
- Support Coalition Partners as needed (Jordanians, British, Spanish, & Australians)

Logistical Challenges

- RFF process (time)
- Special needs of AF Mobile Forward Surgical Teams (lean and light)
  - Lack of field refrigeration (Initially: channeled boxes of ice from Incirlik)
  - Field collection
- Special Ops Needs
- Flight dependability (approx 30% canceled, diverted or broke)
- Blood re-supply via Norfolk on channel flights (not TPFDD)
- Blood Support to Coalition Partners

CURRENT SITUATION

Blood Transshipment Center (BTC) Bahrain- blood products from CONUS; redistributed via tactical air to Blood Supply Units (BSU) &/or treatment facilities (i.e. Afloat LHA & LHD assets, Expeditionary Medical Support Facility, Combat Support Hospital and Forward Surgical Teams)

- **14 facilities/teams supplied with blood (4 have Fresh Frozen Plasma)**
- **3 Blood Supply Units (capable of storing 1,000 units PRBC and 250 FFP)**

BLOOD SHIPMENT TRANSFUSION DATA

- **Blood components received and distributed:**
  - **2,800 units of packed red blood cells**
  - **210 units of Fresh Frozen Plasma**
- **Components transfused:(as of 31 Jan 02)**
  - **40 units of red cells**
  - **8 units of plasma**
- **Emergency Collections**
  - **14 “Walking Donor” Collections; 8 Transfused (2 Patients)**

Coalition Medical Deployments

Country	Asset	Deployment
French	12-bed Level II Air Mob. Surg. Unit	Mas (11 DEC 0
Jordan	50-bed Level II Field Hospital	Mas (08
Spain	24-bed Level II Medical Unit	Bagram A Bag
Korea	60-bed Level II Medical Unit	Manas Air Bis (27 FEB 02)

Jordanian Hosp in Mazar E Sharif

P1170025- A doctor, at the Jordanian field hospital in Mazar E Sharif, Afghanistan cares for a boy in the pediatrics ward.

ROAD AHEAD

- Continued support of conventional and unconventional operations in Afghanistan.
- Support detainee movement.
- Support CINC plans for transition to Phase IV.
- Anticipate and plan for follow-on operations.
- Support Consequence Management planning.
- Lessons Learned.

It's a Team Effort…

…It's a Tough Neighborhood

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QUESTIONS?